Rural Electrification in Maharashtra

4721. SHRI ANNA JOSHI: Will the Minister of POWER AND NON-CONVETIONAL ENERGY SOURCES be pleased to state:

(a) the number of electrified villages in Maharashtra;

(b) whether Government propose to electrify the entire rural area in Maharashtra under special drive during the next three years; and

(c) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF POWER AND NON-CONVETIONAL ENERGY SOURCES (SHRI KALP NATH RAI): (a) to (c) The Maharashtra Electricity Board has declared that as per 1981 Census the entire State has reached cent percent electrification by the end of March, 1989. The total number of electrified villages in Maharashtra comes to 39106.

[Translation]

Grade 'B' Officers

4722. SHRI HARI KEWAL PRASAD: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) the number of Grade 'B' officers in the Indian Railways as on 31-3-91 who had been working on ad hoc basis on the higher pay scales;

(b) the numoer of such officers in various departments and in various institutes (standard institutes, Regional Railways and production units), separately; and

(c) the number of those Grade 'B' officers in various departments in Railways and in various institutes, separately, as on March 31, 1991 who had been working on the post of Assistant Grade officer?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI MALLIKARJUN): (a) to (c) the information is being collected and will be laid on the table of the Sabha.

Training Programme in Foreign Countries

4723. SHRI HARI KEWAL PRASAD: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether training programmes were organised in foreign countries for the gazetted and non-gazetted officers of the Railways during the last three years; and

(b) if so, the numbes of officers belonging to grade 'A', 'B', 'C' and 'D' sent to foreign countries during the last three years, year-wise, department and grade-wise?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI MALLIKARJUN): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) A statement is enclosed.